

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace paragraph [0021] with the following amended paragraph:

[0021] The words and phrases used herein should be given their ordinary and customary meaning in the art by one skilled in the art unless otherwise further defined. Chemical mechanical polishing should be broadly construed and includes, but is not limited to, planarizing a substrate surface using chemical activity and mechanical activity, or a concurrent application of chemical activity and mechanical activity. Electropolishing should be broadly construed and includes, but is not limited to, planarizing a substrate by the application of electrochemical activity. Electrochemical mechanical polishing (ECMP) should be broadly construed and includes, but is not limited to, planarizing a substrate by the application of ~~electrochemical activity, mechanical activity, chemical activity, or a concurrent application~~ of a combination of electrochemical, chemical, ~~and/or~~ and mechanical activity to remove material from a substrate surface.